

Educator Update

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FAQ for School Staff

Please see the attached FAQ for school staff for answers to common questions. This will be updated and attached each week. If you have any questions about health and safety, human resources or learning programming this school year, please contact your principal first. Any updates are highlighted. With that though, there are no additions this week.

Curriculum

Please forward your name to Tanya Lewis if you are interested in joining the Department Authorized Curriculum Committee. The Terms of Reference for this committee have been uploaded into [Yukon Secondary Educators Team](#). If you cannot find the Terms of Reference, please contact Tanya.Lewis@gov.yk.ca

Resources for Educators

Update: ShareEdBC for Yukon Teachers

- All Yukon teachers should have received an email invitation to join ShareEdBC in your First Class email- if you have not received an invitation please email david.mcinnis@gov.yk.ca
- This invitation is only valid for 21 days
- Once the you receive an invite, you need to click on the **Activate** button in the email invitation (if you do not see the button you need to click on 'view in browser', or the yellow strip at the top to display images)
- This will direct you to the ShareEdBC website <https://www.shareedbc.ca/login>
- Here you will click the **Log in** button and then enter your @yesnet.yk.ca email address
- This will 'bump' you to the RapidID log-in page to enter your credentials (again your @yesnet.yk.ca email address and your RapidID password)

- Once authenticated to RapidID, it should take you back to ShareEdBC and you should be logged-in to your ShareEdBC account
- If this is not working as expected you may request support from ShareEdBC [ShareEdBC-support@ca.ibm.com](mailto:support@ca.ibm.com)

Canadian School Library Day/ Journée Nationale des Bibliothèques Scolaires Canadiennes!

Monday, October 26 is Canadian School Library Day. This is an opportunity for Yukon schools to celebrate the contribution of school libraries to student success. As one example, consider an exploration of the virtual collection of online databases. These are current, reliable, age-appropriate suite of resources and are available 24/7 to all Yukon students.

BC Early Learning Framework and Play Today Handbook

All grade one, two, and three classrooms will be receiving a copy of the BC Early Learning Framework and a Play Today Handbook published by the BC Ministry of Ed. A copy of each resource was previously provided to all Yukon Kindergarten Classrooms in 2019. Both resources are intended to support, enhance, and guide classroom teaching practice and learning in a high quality, play-based primary program and are aligned with the redesigned BC and Yukon Curriculum.

Department of Education Annual Report 2019

The report is now available online and was tabled in the Legislative Assembly by the Minister. The report normally would have been released in the spring sitting, but was delayed this year due to the pandemic. The public can download and read the report [here](#).

Locally-produced Film about Yukon's Beringian History

There is a new, made-in-Yukon film about Yukon's ancient Beringian history. [Learn more](#).

Professional Learning Opportunities

Join the Curriculum and Assessment Team

We are looking for a French Pedagogical (FSL) Consultant to join our team. [Learn more and apply](#).

Conference Board of Canada Podcasts

The Right Honourable Paul Martin talks with us about the importance of entrepreneurship to Indigenous people, what he has learned from the Initiative, and why it's important that kids get a good start in life. [Listen here](#). The Conference Board of Canada strives to help build a prosperous, healthy future for Indigenous and Northern communities. Listen to other related podcasts [here](#).

Autism Community Training (ACT)

ACT is offering free live and online learning opportunities. This initiative is in response to the concerns of families and individuals across the world, affected by autism and other special needs, who have been isolated by the pandemic. Register [here](#).

Other opportunities for schools

Climate Change Secretariat Youth Panel is Still Looking for Members

If you know Yukon youth between the ages of 12 and 25 with a passion for the environment and climate justice, please encourage them to apply to be part of the new [Yukon Youth Panel on Climate Change](#). [BYTE](#) and the Yukon Climate Change Secretariat will be working together to turn the ideas and passion of our youth into meaningful action on climate change. The new [panel](#) will provide advice to government on Yukon's climate change actions, including the territory's 10-year climate change and green economy strategy, [Our Clean Future](#). Honorariums and travel expenses will be covered, to encourage youth from across Yukon to apply. Panel members will have opportunities to:

- participate in activities that build leadership and life skills, and education related to climate change issues across Yukon;
- engage with young people across Yukon on issues related to climate change, energy and a green economy;
- communicate young people's perspectives on climate change action in Yukon;
- provide advice and perspectives to the Government of Yukon on issues related to Our Clean Future: A Yukon strategy for climate change, energy and a green economy;
- support youth across Yukon to learn about climate change; and
- empower youth across Yukon to take meaningful action related to climate change issues.

Applications are due by Tuesday, October 27. [Please apply here](#). Questions? [Nelly Bouevitch](#).

Action items for consideration

- Check out the updated attached FAQ for school staff.
- Forward your name to Tanya.Lewis@gov.yk.ca for the Department Authorized Curriculum Committee
- Follow the steps to trouble shoot the activation of your ShareEdBC account.
- Celebrate Canadian School Library Day.
- Read the Department of Education Annual Report 2019 [here](#).
- [Learn more](#) about the locally-produced Film about Yukon's Beringian history.
- We are looking for a French Pedagogical (FSL) Consultant. [Learn more and apply](#).
- Listen to some indigenous and northern Conference Board of Canada podcasts [here](#).
- Register for Autism Community Training (ACT) [here](#).
- Encourage a youth to apply for the Climate Change Secretariat Youth Panel.

Some reminders from previous updates

- Check out resources and support built for you: [Educator Update Archive](#), [Educators' Place](#), and [YESNet Portal](#)
- Email Jane.Downing@gov.yk.ca to request your free LinkedIn License for online course offerings taught by industry expert in things like the software available in schools and creative thinking.
- Connect and collaborate with colleagues in one of the Yukon Educator Teams. Educators have been added to the teams but if you are not a member yet or were somehow missed, then you can join now:
 - Primary Educators, click [Yukon Primary Educators](#) to join. For help: Betty.Burns@gov.yk.ca

- Intermediate Educators, click [Yukon Intermediate Educators](#) to join. For help: Nikki.Krocker@gov.yk.ca
- Secondary Educators, click [Yukon Secondary Educators](#) to join. For help: Tanya.Lewis@gov.yk.ca or Mark.Connell@gov.yk.ca.
- Activate your access to ShareEDBC within 21 days to access curated curriculum aligned resources.
- [Online Instructional Skills Lab](#) November 2 & 4, 2020 9:00am–3:00pm. To register, email Leigh at aurora@LDAYukon.com
- Watch one of the Fountas & Pennell [Literacy Webinars](#) at 4 PM or 6 PM EST Nov. 12, and Dec. 9
- Learn more about [how to prepare safer Halloween activities this year](#).
- MacBride Museum is still taking [bookings](#) for tours and Yukon-themed programs for K-12.
- Involve your grades 1-12 students in a [climate action project](#). It is available for a few more weeks.
- For more information on [BOKS](#), [sign up for free BOKS resources here](#) or reach out to [Lauren Hutchison](#), BOKS Canada (403) 826-6842.
- For a virtual visit to follow up with Orange Shirt Day, contact Connected North Education Coordinator Brenda Sherry at bsherry@takingitglobal.org.

Quick Education links for 2020-21 school year

- [Helpful overview document of school during COVID-19](#)
- [Updated 2020-21 school calendar important dates](#)
- [Find your school operational plan](#)
- [School bus information and schedules](#)
- [Health and safety guidelines for K-12 school settings](#)
- [Yukon Learning Continuity Requirements for 2020-21](#)
- [Blended learning handout](#)
- [Guidance on non-medical mask use in schools](#)
- [Learn more about when to keep your child home when sick](#)
- [Can my child go to school?](#) Ages 6 +. Download poster and review daily.
- [Can my child go to daycare?](#) Ages 0-5. Download poster and review daily.
- [Most current version of our Frequently Asked Questions to help answer questions. / FAQ in French](#)

Quick links to resources on COVID-19 related topics

- [COVID-19 Self-Assessment](#)
- [Talking and Sharing with Kids and Families on COVID-19](#)
- [COVID-19 and teenagers: Supporting Youth Mental Wellness](#)
- [COVID-19 counselling and crisis support](#)

For general updates and health information on COVID-19

- [Yukon information on COVID-19: yukon.ca/en/covid-19-information](#)
- [Canada response and Health Canada information](#): canada.ca/coronavirus
- [Council of Yukon First Nations](#): information and downloadable resources: cyfn.ca/covid-19